

## News Release

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## Portion of 9<sup>th</sup> Street closing March 17 through April 17 for construction

**RICHMOND, Va.** Ninth Street will be closed to pedestrian and vehicle traffic from Grace Street to Broad Street beginning March 17, and continuing through April 17, to accommodate construction of the General Assembly Building and the 9<sup>th</sup> and Broad Street Parking Deck.

Construction of the General Assembly Building began in 2019 and will be complete in late 2022, in time for the 2023 General Assembly session. The 422,000-square-foot building will house offices for legislative members and staff, large committee rooms, a first-floor food service area, enhanced building security measures and tunnels to both the Capitol and to the 9<sup>th</sup> and Broad Street Parking Deck. The tunnel to the Capitol will not be complete until late 2023.

Construction began on the seven-level, 500-car 9<sup>th</sup> & Broad Street Parking Deck in the spring of 2021 and is due to be complete this fall. The garage will serve state employees, members of the General Assembly and legislative employees. There will be first-floor office space for the Division of Legislative and Automated Systems, Commission on Youth, Chesapeake Bay Commission and VPM.

Please be mindful when walking in and around Capitol Square, because there are additional lane and sidewalk closures due to these and other Department of General Services construction and renovation projects. These closures are subject to change throughout the duration of these construction projects.

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